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MEMORANDUM

To: Council of Mayors Executive Committee

From: CMAP Staff

Date: April 7, 2020

Re: STP-L funding for remaining lettings in FFY 2020

Because of the unprecedented size of the local surface transportation program (STP-L) this year, funding has been insufficient to cover all the projects originally targeting the April state letting or beyond. CMAP staff sent a memo to the Committee in February describing the situation in more detail. Since that time, CMAP staff have been working with the councils to find a way to fund at least some of the projects now targeting the June state letting.

For a number of reasons, circumstances have now changed enough that all of the projects still targeting the June letting can be funded. Several projects have been delayed so that they will not be ready for the June letting. In addition to typical delays project sponsors face, the COVID-19 response has created new delays, such as obtaining right-of-way certification when courthouses are closed. In some cases, project sponsors have decided not to go forward with project phases owing to financial concerns related to COVID-19. A council also made slight adjustments in its program to help fund all the projects on the June letting. Finally, some additional funding became available for reprogramming when sponsors decided not to move forward with engineering phases or the cost of a project was reduced. The remaining funded projects are shown in Table 1.

Table 1. Projects to receive funding for the June IDOT letting (as of April 7)

TIP ID	Council	Municipality or County	Location	Limits	Requested Federal Amount
				Green Bay Rd to Sheridan	
02-13-0004	NS	Wilmette	Central Ave	Rd	\$4,069,631
			IL 62 Algonquin	Plum Grove Rd to IL Route	
03-03-0102	NW	Schaumburg	Rd	53	\$2,697,500

		Municipality			Requested Federal
TIP ID	Council	or County	Location	Limits	Amount
			Longmeadow		
09-96-0017	KKCOM	Kane County	Parkway	Section C2	\$2,500,000
04-17-0003	NC	Broadview	Braga Dr	16th St, 21st Ave to 19th St	\$2,347,150
		Western	Western Springs		
05-08-0011	Central	Springs	Metra Station	Hill Ave to Burlington Ave	\$2,327,356
07-18-0006	South	South Holland	Vincennes Rd	162nd St to Armory Rd	\$1,364,400
				Keslinger Rd to Freedom	
09-16-0016	KKCOM	Elburn	Anderson Rd	Rd	\$920,625
			Prince Crossing	North Ave (IL 64) to	
08-18-0013	DuPage	West Chicago	Rd	Geneva Rd	\$719,511
07-18-0009	South	Lansing	Wentworth Ave	Ridge Rd to Bernice Rd	\$630,400

Programming is a fluid process, so it is possible that more projects will drop off the June letting. It is also possible that funding could become available to reprogram for council projects targeting later lettings. Since each local council originally chose these projects using their own methodologies, there is no agreed-upon method to rank the projects by merit to determine which should receive funding.

During the ongoing phase-in period for the STP agreement, the councils do not have individual allotments. However, FFY17 funding can be used as a benchmark, as that was the last year before the new STP agreement. To allocate any funding that becomes available, CMAP staff recommends prioritizing projects from councils that have spent a lower amount relative to this benchmark since the new STP agreement went into effect. Table 2 shows spending (obligations) by council relative to three years of funding at the FFY17 level. Note that starting in October 2020, the councils will again have individual allotments, and the temporary procedure proposed here will be unnecessary.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Staff is seeking approval from the committee to allocate any remaining funding for this fiscal year first to projects within councils that have obligated the lowest total amount of STP funding relative to 3 times their FFY17 allotment, so long as they have met all of IDOT's milestones for inclusion on a letting, and subject to other programming constraints.

Table 2. STP-L Obligations since the start of FFY 2018

				Difference after June
			Difference	letting (Allotment –
	3x FFY 17	Total	(Allotment –	Obligations –
Council	Allotment	Obligations	Obligations)	Programmed in FFY20)
North Shore	\$11,905,665	\$6,022,615	\$5,883,050	\$1,210,892
Northwest	\$26,062,164	\$55,569,066	(\$29,506,902)	(\$32,204,402)
North Central	\$11,905,665	\$15,034,312	(\$3,128,647)	(\$5,802,197)
Central	\$9,415,164	\$5,160,798	\$4,254,366	\$966,985
Southwest	\$13,777,326	\$11,473,631	\$2,303,695	\$169,431
South	\$18,983,094	\$13,975,056	\$5,008,038	\$2,544,358
DuPage	\$33,814,404	\$33,661,807	\$152,597	(\$566,914)
Kane	\$25,484,478	\$21,102,250	\$4,382,228	\$749,003
Lake	\$25,523,763	\$78,863,311	(\$53,339,548)	(\$53,339,548)
McHenry	\$11,874,009	\$7,371,548	\$4,502,461	\$4,502,461
Will	\$21,495,720	\$34,696,957	(\$13,201,237)	(\$13,201,237)
Suburban Total	\$210,241,452	\$280,907,248	(\$72,689,898)	(\$94,971,167)
Chicago	\$191,613,303	\$115,868,217	\$75,745,086	\$338,189
Region	\$401,854,755	\$394,755,564	\$3,055,188	(\$94,632,978)

Note: in the "Difference" columns, red indicates that the council has obligated more funds than would have been available to it under the previous STP agreement.